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Computer Coding School Begins in Peachtree Corners in 2019 City partnering with Georgia Tech, classes to be taught at Prototype Prime

PEACHTREE CORNERS, GA, Oct. 4, 2018 – Today nearly every aspect of our lives is touched by technology; from our smartphones and the automobiles we drive, to the apps we use for banking and navigating our way through a new city.

This has resulted in an expanding demand for computer coding skills across a broad range of careers. Locally, businesses are seeking avenues to upgrade employees' skills, while individuals are exploring a career change and considering computer coding as an option.

To accommodate the growing need for coding skills, the city of Peachtree Corners is partnering with <u>Georgia Tech Professional Education</u> (GTPE) to provide 24-week coding boot camps at <u>Prototype Prime</u>, the startup incubator located in Technology Park. Classes begin January 28, 2019.

The classes are offered through GTPE, an academic division of Georgia Tech. Students will learn specialized skills through a fast-paced, immersive curriculum and learn skills to become proficient in front-end and back-end technologies.

"Coding skills are in high demand," said Councilmember Jeanne Aulbach, (Post 4). "These skills are not just for programmers but reach a broad spectrum including data analysts, engineers, scientists, artists and designers."

Students will receive hands-on training to master the hard and soft skills needed for web development, data science and analytics, and will finish the course with a wide set of technical skills and a portfolio of projects.

"Computer programming is a growing industry," said Councilmember Lorri Christopher, (Post 5). "This is a tremendous opportunity right here in Peachtree Corners to learn from a highly regarded institution."

Nelson Baker, dean of GTPE added: "As the lifelong learning arm of the Georgia Institute of Technology, GTPE has a long history of delivering professional education to meet the workforce development needs of employees and the career advancement needs of employees. Annually, we serve approximately 36,000 learners worldwide representing more than 2,600 companies."

To enroll or for additional information on the Georgia Tech Professional Education coding boot camps, please visit the **Georgia Tech Professional Education website** or call 404-328-7187.

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About Prototype Prime

Located in Peachtree Corners, Prototype Prime is an early stage technology incubator located in Peachtree Corners that focuses on hardware and software startups. The 26,000 square-foot facility features a design &development lab, autonomous vehicle test track, flexible lease office space, classrooms, and a special events facility.

About Georgia Tech Professional Education

Georgia Tech Professional Education, an academic division of the <u>Georgia Institute of Technology</u>, offers professional development courses, certificate programs, and professional master's degrees in a variety of formats to meet the needs of working professionals and industry partners in STEM and business fields worldwide. We educate over 36,000 individual leaners representing more than 2,600 companies annually.

About City of Peachtree Corners

Situated in Gwinnett County, one of the fastest growing counties in Georgia, Peachtree Corners is conveniently located to major highways, I-85, I-285 and GA 400 and just 30 minutes northeast of Atlanta. Founded on July 1, 2012, it is the largest and newest city in the county. Peachtree Corners is home to over 40,000 residents and over 17 square miles in size. Located in the southwest corner of the county, seven miles of the Chattahoochee River define its western border.